GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4122
ANSWERED ON:16.12.2002
THREAT TO DAKSHINESWAR TEMPLE
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a)whether the Government are aware that Dakshineswar Temple in West Bengal is facing threat from the erosion by Ganges;

(b)if so, whether the Dakshneswar Trust made any appeal to the Government for the intervention in this regard; and

(c)if so, the remedial steps taken in this direction?

Answer

MINISTER FOR TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a)to (c)Yes, Sir. A proposal prepared by the Kolkota Port Trust, and forwarded by the Department of Tourism, Government of West Bengal has been received by the Ministry of Environment and Forests through the Department of Tourism, Government of India. The proposal is under examination whereby 30% of the project cost is proposed to be borne by the State Government and 70% by Government of India.